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IN REPLY PLEASE

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST FOR JURISDICTION
FIRST STREET BRIDGE OVER TOWNE AVENUE
FIRST STREET BRIDGE OVER WHITE AVENUE
CITY OF POMONA
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1
4 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Adopt the enclosed resolution declaring First Street Bridge over Towne Avenue and First Street Bridge over White Avenue within the City of Pomona to be a part of the County System of Highways.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The City of Pomona and the County propose to retrofit First Street Bridge over Towne Avenue and First Street Bridge over White Avenue, which are entirely within the City of Pomona. The County, which is the lead project administrator requires jurisdiction from the City of Pomona in order to retrofit these bridges.

Sections 1700-1702 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the Board of Supervisors of any county may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, declare any highway in the county lying in whole or in part within a city to be a county highway. The governing body of the affected city may consent to the

establishment of such included portion as a part of the county highway system. Thereafter, the Board of Supervisors of the county may acquire rights of way, construct, maintain, improve, or repair such highway in the same manner as other county highways.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence. By improving the safety of the First Street Bridge over Towne Avenue and the First Street Bridge over White Avenue, residents of the City of Pomona, nearby cities, and the unincorporated County areas who travel on First Street, Towne Avenue, and White Avenue will benefit, and their quality of life will be improved.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Your Board's adoption of the enclosed Resolution will not directly result in any fiscal impact on the County. We will submit the project to your Board for approval to advertise a construction contract for the seismic retrofit improvements at a later date. This project will be constructed as a Federal-aid project under the State Seismic Retrofit Program administered by the State of California. Under this program, the entire cost of the project will be financed with Federal and State funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed Resolution provides for the County to perform the preliminary engineering and administer the construction of these projects under the Federal Highway Bridge Program.

The enclosed Resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their actions. The proposed projects are statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.16.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Following the Loma Prieta earthquake in the San Francisco Bay Area in October 1989, emergency State legislation known as Senate Bill 36X was enacted, which requires that all existing publicly-owned bridges in the State be inspected and that those found to have a seismic structural deficiency be upgraded and retrofitted to conform with specific structural standards. The Bill further provides for the County of Los Angeles to be the lead agency for inspecting and retrofitting all non-State highway bridges within Los Angeles County.

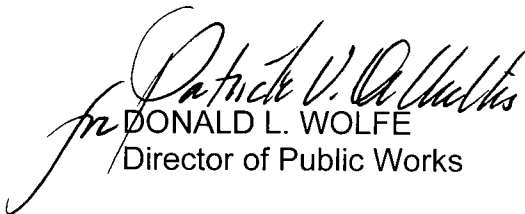
The proposed improvements are needed and of general County interest. The project is tentatively scheduled to be advertised for construction bids in fall 2007, pending the City's consent to jurisdiction and the County obtaining the necessary State and Federal approvals.

This jurisdiction will be relinquished after the completion of the project.

CONCLUSION

Upon adoption of the enclosed Resolution by your Board, please return one adopted copy of this letter together with two adopted copies of the Resolution to us for further processing.

Respectfully submitted,


DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE BRIDGE PORTION OF FIRST STREET
OVER TOWNE AVENUE AND THE BRIDGE PORTION OF FIRST STREET OVER
WHITE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF POMONA
TO BE A PART OF THE COUNTY SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS**

WHEREAS, by reason of its location and travel thereon, the bridge portion of First Street over Towne Avenue and the bridge portion of First Street over White Avenue, which are entirely within the City of Pomona, County of Los Angeles, State of California, should be a part of the County System of Highways, for the limited purpose of retrofitting the bridge portion of First Street over Towne Avenue and the bridge portion of First Street over White Avenue; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Board of Supervisors of said County to construct the above-stated improvements and perform appurtenant work thereon provided the consent of the governing bodies of the City shall first be given;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, that the bridge portion of First Street over Towne Avenue and the bridge portion of First Street over White Avenue, which are entirely within the City of Pomona, is hereby declared to be a part of the System of Highways of said County as provided in Sections 1700 and 1702 inclusive of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California for the purpose of, and limited to, the aforementioned work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, which the County agrees:

- (a) That the County of Los Angeles shall not be responsible for any damage or liability occurring by reason of any roadway condition on the aforementioned street, within the City of Pomona, existing prior to the start of retrofit construction by the County or following the completion and field acceptance of said construction.
- (b) That the work to be performed by the County shall not include roadway maintenance activities on First Street Bridge over Towne Avenue and on First Street Bridge over White Avenue within the City of Pomona, prior to the start of retrofit construction by the County or following the completion and field acceptance of said construction.

The foregoing Resolution was on the day _____ of _____, 2007, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessments and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By Michael L. Ynone
Deputy